# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

# **FISCAL NOTE**



SB 361 - HB 1000

March 16, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Broadens the definition of "state employee" under Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-42-101, relative to representation by the Attorney General and Reporter, to include foster parents under contract with an agency that is under contract with the state.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 8-42-103 entitles any state employee, defined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-42-101, to representation by the Attorney General, by an attorney appointed by the Attorney General, or to payment of reasonable compensation of counsel approved by the Attorney General if such employee has a civil action for damages filed against the employee.
- The proposed legislation broadens the definition of state employee to include not only foster parents under contract with the state, but foster parents under contract with an agency that is under contract with the state.
- It is assumed that the Attorney General can accommodate the representation of such individuals within existing resources.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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